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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(A))

Applicant(s) in the above-identified application hereby petition(s) for a one-month extension of time to and including October 6, 2003 (as October 4th is a Saturday) for responding to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2003. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

- [X] A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed herewith.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 210660.0077 as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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